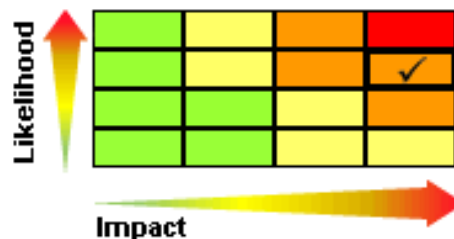
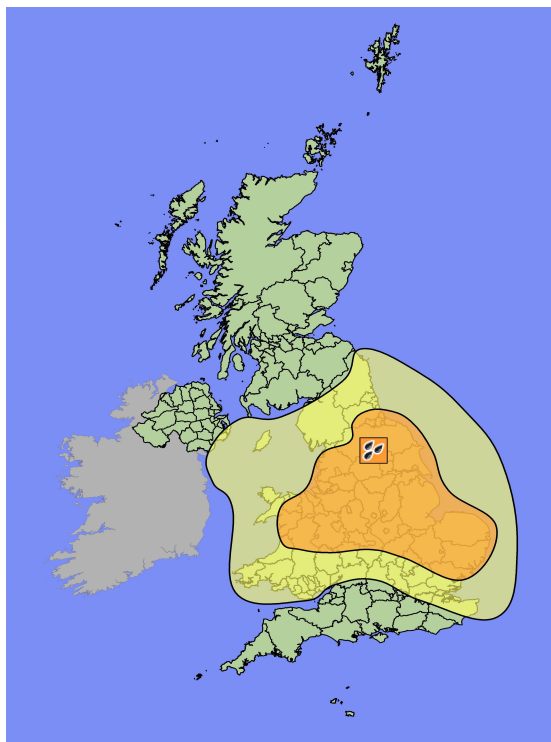




National Severe Weather Warning Service



Chief Forecasters Assessment

An area of low pressure will move westwards across southern Britain from the near continent during Friday. As it does so it will draw a plume of warm, moist air westwards across many parts of central Britain. This is likely to bring some very heavy and locally thundery rain, with totals of 20 to 40 mm quite widely, and perhaps exceeding 60 or even 70 mm in places.

With the ground being near-saturated in many areas, these amounts of rain are likely to cause problems, with the possibility of more significant impacts (please see impact matrix). As is usual in this type of situation there remains uncertainty as to which areas will be worst affected, so it is possible that further adjustments will be made to either the northern or southern limits of the warning areas, so please check for updates.

The Met Office have issued an **Amber Warning of Rain**

Valid from **00:05 on Fri, 06th Jul 2012** until **23:55 on Fri, 06th Jul 2012**

Heavy and persistent rain is likely to extend north and west across many eastern, central and some northern parts of England, along with much of Wales on Friday. Some of this heavier rain may clip the southeastern corner of Northern Ireland, where conditions are especially saturated. Note that the updated Amber area has been extended further west across Wales in recognition of latest ideas.

The public should be prepared for the possibility of surface water flooding, particularly within the Amber area, where there is an increasing likelihood of river flooding, disruption to travel and outdoor activities. The rain across central England, East Anglia and southeast England should ease later in the day.

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